

Boise Wallula Water Quality Permit



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Online at

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/industry/UIPermit/DraftPermits.aspx>

Burbank Public Library
875 S Lake Rd
Burbank, WA 99323

Ecology, Headquarters
300 Desmond Dr SE
Lacey, WA 98502

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Comment period: Dec 7, 2017 – Jan 12, 2018

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System water quality permit renewal for the Boise White Paper pulp and paper mill in Wallula.

Changes to the permit

We propose the following changes to the permit.

- Lower limits for biological oxygen demand, total suspended solids, and adsorbable organic halides.
- Reduced adsorbable organic halide monitoring frequency from monthly to quarterly.

Read the permit's support document, called a Fact Sheet, for more information on these changes.

Commenting

Effective comments tell us if we correctly applied current laws, rules and regulations to this action. They:

- Are specific. Tell us what your concern is and how you think the permit should change.
- Are focused. Refer to the conditions and requirements in the permit.
- Relate the potential impacts to water quality from this action.
- Describe the state or federal rules and regulations you think have not been applied correctly.

Submit written comments:

Online:

<http://ws.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=gEtjc>

By mail or fax:

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When the comment period ends, we will review all comments received and make appropriate changes before finalizing the documents.

You may request a public hearing to ask questions and submit verbal comments. To request a hearing, contact:

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If we determine there is significant public interest during this comment period to hold a hearing, we will extend the comment period to allow at least 30 days notice of the hearing and publish the time, date and location.

Facility information

Boise White Paper, L.L.C. is a kraft pulp and paper mill located at 31831 Highway 12 in Wallula. Employing about 400 people, the mill produces about 1400 tons of bleached paper, fine coated paper, and corrugated medium each day. The box plant employs an additional 155 people and produces about 5 million square feet of corrugated boxes each day.

The mill discharges treated wastewater to the Columbia River.

En Español

El Departamento de Ecología le invita a comentar sobre la renovación del permiso de aguas residuales del Sistema Nacional para la Eliminación de Descargas de Contaminantes para el molino de pulpa y papel de Boise White Paper, LLC en Wallula.

El periodo de comentario es del 7 de diciembre de 2017 al 12 de enero de 2018. Para asistencia en español, por favor comuníquese con Angela Fritz al (360) 407-7393.

